

you vote and thank you for your time.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President, members of the body. I rise to ask you to reject this particular motion on the assurance on my part that right behind it, in fact hanging on the bill right now, is an alternate proposal. What this motion does is it takes 2% of the county's share for two consecutive years for a total of 4% off of the county's back and leaves the county with 16%. I'm saying let's don't do it that way. If they want, for example, to take some of the money out, about a half a million dollars of the costs of this bill out, off the states back in other words, fine, we can do that. We could concur in that. But, I'm saying that we can do it that way and still not create more work for ourselves later on by doing it this way. We could take 2% off for each year for five consecutive years instead of the present provisions of the bill that say 2½% over 4 years. That adds up to 10%. Let's take 2% off of each year over five years, we are slipping from the two and a half back to the two, that saves the state a half a million dollars, achieves the end that is desired here as I understand it, keeping under 7%, but we still then have it on the books and then if we find later on that we should do something with it then we can come back and take that off of the books. But we don't, if we do it my way, which is hanging on the bill right now and all we do is reject or have Senator Carsten withdraw his and I can take up mine, and I assure you that I will, to get the same end, but 5 years or three years or whatever it is we don't have to come back and redo it, unless there is a specific problem. Now, I'm going to ask you to reject this particular proposal and let's take up the next one which does reduce it by 2% per year over 5 years that is the same 10% that we agreed to with the Governor's office and a whole bunch of people on the floor got together and agreed to. I would suggest that we leave it, that way we can give by dropping back to 2% by the adding an extra year to it at the end. I'm asking you to do that. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I like Senator Kahle certainly urge the body to reject the amendment. Apparently we are married to a 7% figure, I'm not sure how we got married to it but we are married to it, it seems like. I looked at Senator Warner's handout which was on my desk when I got back from lunch and it says to live within a 7% limitation we would have to spend \$602,048,553. Yet with LB 138 at